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Inventor(s): Ashok (nmi) Singhal, David J. Broniarczyk and George R. Cameron  
Title: Communication Link Protocol Optimized For Storage Architectures

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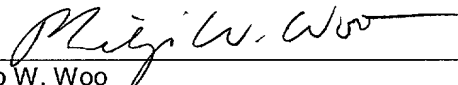
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